

THE CONVENTION

The second Monday in February next is the day appointed for the election of delegates to the State Convention. The importance of this convention is so great, that the utmost care should be taken, to have the ablest, the most trustworthy men in it, as beyond doubt, the future depends much on its deliberations and resolves. In that convention, South Carolina will either repudiate her past gloomy policy and her late resolutions and acts, or she will abide by the examples of the past and ratify the acts of her Legislature, and carry them out, with a scrupulous and steadfast adherence to the right, regardless of consequences. South Carolina is now the moving hand, the only hope the day has of being won. In this convention rests the cause of the south. Its final determination will return, or advance, the independence of the Southern States—will precipitate the issue, which is nigh being lost for want of firmness and statesmanship. Our eyes must not be diverted from the only star in the heavens, that can direct our course, or give any promise of auspicious fortune. To this convention, its organization and purposes, let us bend our energies, and in it repeat all our hope of success. Let us feel the full force of the doctrine of States' Right and State Sovereignty, and be satisfied that South Carolina is equal to the condition of separate State existence—Above all, let us believe that her conduct in this emergency, will have such persuasive force upon her sister aggrieved States, that it amounts to almost a demonstration that her success involves the dissolution of the Union, and the ultimate formation of the Confederacy of the Southern States.

This Convention when assembled, will not be able to avoid the issue of submission or secession. It must do something, be that something degradation or independence. There can be no decree proclaimed by it, nothing but a curse that will stain our past character, and our present high position, and our future prospects will be satisfactory. What that course will be, no one can say positively; but we can say confidently, that it will not be indirect or direct submission. The whole matter is with the people at last and there we rejoice to see it; for we know that whenever politicians and rulers may do for their own interests, the people have no purpose to subserve, but the promotion of their honor and independence.

Abberile Banner.

CHARLOTTE, Jan. 15, 1851.
Report of the Board of Health for the week ending January 14th.

The Board report sixteen new cases and three deaths, of the prevailing disease, viz.

Deaths—One infant, (white) 7 months old, one negro man, aged 29 years, and one negro woman aged 30 years.

RICH. F. DAVISON,
Jno. A. Young,
R. C. Carson,

From the above report of the Board of Health, our readers will learn that the disease in Charlotte is spreading. We see no way of preventing this, but by advising persons who have escaped, to have no intercourse with families where the disease exists. Our town Authorities are using exertions to stop it, but if persons will run into danger, their efforts will be fruitless.—*Journal*.

MARSHALL.—On the 15th inst. by the Rev. J. R. Pickett, Mr. George W. Brant to Miss Ellen R. Greenway, all of Charleston.

On the evening of the 16th inst. by the Rev. Lath O'Neal, J. G. A. Moore, of Charleston, to Angelia A. second daughter of J. H. Ponson, esqr., of Branchville.

Nominations for the State Convention.

On the second Monday and Tuesday in February next, an election will be held for three delegates to represent the District of Kershaw in the State Convention. The following gentlemen have been put in nomination:

Hon. T. J. WETHERS,
Maj. JOHN CANTEY,
Capt. THOMAS LANG.

HARMONY.

Capt. THOMAS LANG,
Maj. JOHN CANTEY,
Col. L. J. PATTERSON;

CAMDEN.

Capt. C. J. SHANNON,
Col. T. L. DIXON,
L. L. WHITAKER, Esq.

JESSE KILGORE, Esq.
Capt. L. W. R. BLAIR.

MANY VOTERS.

Hon. T. J. WETHERS,
Col. J. CHESNUT, Jr.
Maj. JOHN CANTEY,
W. E. JOHNSON, Esq.

A VOTER.

For Lancaster District.

J. F. G. MITTAG, Esq.
Maj. JOHN WILLIAMS,
Capt. J. D. McILWAIN.

LEONIDAS.

For the Southern Congress:
JAMES H. WITHERSPOON, Esq. of Lancaster.
Col. JAMES CHESNUT, Jr. of Kershaw.

Nomination.

We are authorized to announce W. H. R. WORKMAN, Esq., as a Candidate for Captain of Battalion No. 2.

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